REMARKS

The Examiner allowed claims 1-20.

The Examiner also indicated that claim 24 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended said claim in accordance with the Examiner's comments and submits that claim 24 is in allowable form. In addition, claim 24 has been amended to incorporate the changes required by the Examiner with regard to claim 21 to overcome the objection thereto regarding a typographical error.

The Examiner rejected claims 21-23 as being unpatentable over Blum (US Patent 6,219,876). The Applicant has canceled claim 21. Each of claims 22 and 23 have been amended to depend from allowable claim 24 and applicant thus submits that claims 22 and 23 are therefore allowable.

In addition, Applicant has added new claims 25-34 to directly or indirectly depend from allowable claim 24. Applicant notes that new dependent claims 25-34 correspond respectively with claims 4, 7-10 and 12-16 except that they depend directly or indirectly from claim 24. Applicant respectfully requests the entry of said new claims and submits that they are allowable as depending from allowable claim 24.

In view of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims and most earnestly solicits the issuance of a formal notice of allowability for the claims. Please call the undersigned attorney if any questions remain after this amendment.

Respectfully submitted at Canton, Ohio this <u>b</u>h day of October, 2004.

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